

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:258

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BOKAJAN UNIT OF CCI

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Will the Minister of HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has received any proposal from the Government of Assam as well as North East Members of Parliament (MPs) Forum for de-linking Bokajan unit of Cement Corporation of India (CCI) from the proposed disinvestments and allowing it to function as an independent Public Sector Undertaking (PSU);

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the decision taken by the Government thereon?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES
(SHRI SONTOSH MOHAN DEV)

(a) to (c): A suggestion was received from the Government of Assam and from the North East Members of Parliament Forum to make Bokajan Unit of Cement Corporation of India Ltd.(CCI) a separate Public Sector Enterprises. Subsequently, the Government of Assam was offered to take over Bokajan Unit but it expressed its inability on the ground that it did not have sufficient resources to take over liabilities and undertake its further development. Recently on the direction of the BIFR, a Draft Rehabilitation Scheme (DRS) for CCI as a whole, which envisages expansion of Bokajan Unit, has been prepared by the Operating Agency.